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INCOMING FRESHMEN REQUIRED TO LIVE ON CAMPUS FOR FIRST TWO YEARS



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BY SARAH KRAUSS
News Editor

The incoming class of 2017 will be required to live on campus for their freshmen and sophomore years at Salisbury University in an attempt to increase academic success and encourage a higher four-year graduation rate.

"The focus for any institution is freshmen and sophomores," said Dave Gutoskey, SU housing and residence life director. "Students will focus more with more resources at their fingertips."

Ninety-three to 94 percent of freshmen already live on campus, with the exception of commuter and non-traditional students,

Gutoskey said. Mandating that returning freshmen live on campus a second year makes academic success a higher probability.

"If you are a sophomore who lives off campus on a rainy day when you have to find parking for one class, you are more likely to skip,"

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Meet the candidates for Mayor of Salisbury: Joe Alberero

This article is a part of an election review. To read opponent Jim Ireton's story refer to last week's issue of The Flyer or visit our website.

BY JACOB TROXELL
Staff Writer

With the Salisbury general election approaching, Joe Alberero and Mayor Jim Ireton are both preparing for the April 2 vote in hopes their efforts in their campaign will be a success.

Joe Alberero is a blogger and currently the publisher for the website sbynews.blogspot.com, which covers a wide range of stories relating to Salisbury, the surrounding areas in Maryland and some even covering nationwide stories and political issues.

Alberero said he is primarily focused on restoring Salisbury's economy.

"The city's focus on economic development has been too 'downtown-centric,'" Alberero said. "Yes, we must revitalize downtown, but we must also look to attract, and retain, employers throughout the city that offer high quality jobs to our citizens. Too much emphasis has been placed on attracting low paying retail and hospitality jobs."

Alberero said Salisbury needs to expand downtown as more of an entertainment attraction for students, and plans should be focused on bringing more people in from out of town.

"Once a sufficient customer base is established for downtown, we will then see entrepreneurs willing to invest in other types of businesses which will further broaden downtown's appeal," Alberero said. "I intend to devote half of my work week to selling Salisbury to the world."

We must also work more closely with Salisbury/Wicomico Economic Development (SWED) to market Salisbury and avoid duplication of effort."

He said he encourages student involvement in the community because, although he believes SU is already involved, some groups of citizens do not recognize it.

"I would love to see more student involvement in service projects reaching out to our seniors and particularly the neighborhoods immediately surrounding the university," Alberero said.

Alberero said he wants the city to live up to its full potential. Not only does he want the economic status of Salisbury to grow, but also student activity in the city and government.

"While students have been serving as interns in city and county government for years, I would love to see these programs expanded," Alberero said. "I also recognize that to do so, the city needs to market these opportunities to the student body at-large."

Similar to the city of Salisbury as far as size, Alberero said Harrisonburg, Va., is a great example of how Salisbury can increase its downtown appeal.

"There are many similarities to Harrisonburg and Salisbury. Both towns have a university and the universities are about the same distance from their respective downtowns," Alberero said.

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The Irish invade SU with pub

BY BRIANA BISHOP
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Known for their Celtic specialties, The Irish Penny offers American comfort food with an Irish twist.

The owner's goal was to offer an atmosphere that catered to the entire community. Located across West College Avenue from Salisbury University in the Clairmont Shopping Center, owners Scott Urban and Jeff Trivits say they don't want to be by the franchises up north; having the SU campus in walking distance was part of the plan.

"We've had a pretty good turnout so far," Urban said. "We wanted to provide an atmosphere that catered to a lunch and dinner crowd, but also brought in the later pub crowd, being the college students and other young adults."

Urban is a SU Alumnus with a degree in business. His siblings attend SU, and he said he hopes that the students and faculty of SU will keep coming in.

Vice President Dane Foust of Student Affairs said he hopes that having The Irish Penny across from campus will not affect the students negatively. He said he feels that it all depends on the way it's promoted- as a food place or a late night pub.

"I think it all comes down to the way they manage it," Foust said. "They have a responsibility to provide a place that is safe and enjoyable at the same time. I have been there to eat since they opened, and from my perspective, I think it's going to be more of a restaurant atmosphere."

The menu has an early happy hour from 3 to 6 p.m. Specials include \$1-off craft beer drafts, house wines and \$2 Bud Light and Miller Lite drafts. The food has an Eastern Shore twist, and the Shepherd's pie is becoming a known specialty. The staff said the half-pound burgers and pub sandwiches are other popular items.

The restaurant has a Facebook page, listing daily specials and upcoming events. Many followers shared their first time visits there, with plans to go back.

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The Irish Penny Pub & Grill



Briana Bishop photo
Customers at The Irish Penny enjoy "American comfort food with an Irish twist."

Sea Gull Century volunteers win awards

BY JUSTIN MCCLURE
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Every year, bikers from across the nation flock to Maryland's eastern shore to participate in the annual Sea Gull Century bike ride in an effort to raise money for various charities, organizations and scholarships. Eleven Salisbury University students were awarded the 2013 Sea Gull Century scholarship for their commitment and service in the event. The recipients include sophomores Kathryn Anderson, Blake Bussard, Nicole Frushour, and Rizia Sultana, juniors, Aaron Curry, Kristen Russo, and Kelsey Scanlan, and seniors Caroline Hayden, Corey Salemi, Anna Steinman and Zachary Thomas. "Any student can be involved with

Sea Gull Century," Sea Gull Century representative Courtney Chrisman said. "Mostly clubs on campus are what we reach out for, such as the exercise science club, HIPE, nursing student association or the baseball team." Junior Kristen Russo first heard about the race through her exercise science club her freshman year. "I loved volunteering so much that I keep coming back to work the race," Russo said. There are many jobs students partake in to ensure the race runs smoothly and efficiently. From staying at a rest stop and providing water and Gatorade for the bikers to directing cyclists where to go on the route, the opportunities are endless for volunteers. Recipient Aaron Curry said he en-

joys volunteering for the event. "It was really nice to see the sense of community that everyone seemed to have," he said. "It was also amazing to see how kind words can encourage people to keep going." Many of the volunteers have said the most rewarding part of volunteering are the connections the participants make with other SU students, bikers and community members. "Obviously doing volunteer work always feeds the soul," junior Kelsey Scanlan said. "The vendors, sponsors and their families are genuinely grateful for all of the help." Russo agreed with Scanlan's perspective of communal interaction. "I feel like I gained a greater connection with both the university and

community, I met more students and people from all over the country who are passionate about sports and physical fitness," Russo said. The commitment the volunteers demonstrated made them eligible to apply for the 2013 Sea Gull Century scholarship, in which an essay was required to be written and reviewed by the Sea Gull Century Scholarship Committee. "After reading the scholarship essays students submit from participating in the event you hear these great stories of things that took place throughout the day," Chrisman said. Scholarships are given through the SU Foundation, Inc., and range from \$250 to \$1,000. Students are also required to have a minimum 3.0 grade point average.

A lot of extracurricular motivation and success can be attributed to the event and the committee, Scanlan said. "I am, without a doubt, grateful for being chosen to receive this scholarship," she said. With extra financial aid, students like Russo can begin to see their dreams become a reality. "Studying abroad has been a dream of mine for over a year now, and I have worked hard to find scholarships to help lower my expenses for the program," Russo said. "Winning the Sea Gull Century Scholarship has helped me move closer to my goal of studying abroad in Australia to study the sports industry."

City Council debate brings local issues to campus

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The Public Affairs and Civic Engagement department sponsored a City Council debate at Salisbury University for Districts One and Two on Feb. 19. In District One, Incumbent Shanie Shields (D) debated against Cynthia Polk (D), a previous candidate who reportedly lost by just one vote in 2009. A third runner for District One, April Jackson (D), was not present due to reported health issues. In District Two, Incumbent Debbie Campbell (D) debated Urban Planner and occasional teacher at SU, Jake Day (D), and non-profit Lower Shore Enterprise CEO, Jack Heath (Unaffiliated). The debate opened with candidates listing their plans to enact change in Salisbury. Shields wished to work with businesses and local schools, specifying that she felt the Science, Technology, Engineering, Math Program is "something all children should be exposed to." Polk said she felt jobs growth was most important because "everything builds from jobs," and wished to create global connections with businesses. Campbell said she would focus on economic development, saving neighborhoods and public safety. Day said he believed in restoring partnerships and pride in Salisbury, bringing young people into government, and revitalizing downtown. Heath said his focus would be enhancing the quality of life in Salisbury, which he said would be achieved by bringing jobs, sound education, recreational opportunities and a city government to the city that "looks for and listens to people's ideas, no matter who's ideas they are."

One question posed that Salisbury's Council was associated with the response "No" and asked how to get to "Yes," which sitting council member Campbell claimed was false because the Council approved 70 out of 80 ordinances and 190 out of 200 resolutions it has had. Campbell went on to blame the local media for the Council's negative portrayal, adding that "one solution is for The Daily Times to get a little better at printing news." Fellow current member Shields, however, felt the Council had voted down some of the most important proposals, such as one for transitional housing, saying "I'm not a councilperson of 'no'." Regarding crime, Campbell said that progress has been made with a great police chief and department, and said that the Council finally increased police salaries that were "18 percent underpaid." Day wished to add thirty more officers and to look into "less lethal weapons." Heath said he felt an additional thirty officers would be extremely expensive and proposed technologies that could pinpoint crimes so police officers could almost "be there waiting."

to see "this city become a police state." When asked if they should raise taxes or reduce services, Heath and Day agreed that revenue could be gained by means such as attracting businesses and increasing the value of property. "We are about the only city in America that wants to keep its water fronts in surface parking lots," Day said. Campbell said she felt neither cuts nor tax hikes were needed because of underestimated revenue, claiming she had already saved them a million dollars by doing things such as finding a \$400,000 mistake in a grant application. Polk said revenue could be gotten using tourism, saying Salisbury was has unlimited potential due to its close location to Ocean City. Shields said she felt some services were already being cut down, such as trash pickup. "I know 'tax' is a bad word, but what is 'reality'? We want to hire thirty police officers, how are we going to pay for them?" Shields said. When it came to the issue of making Salisbury a more business-friendly community, Campbell said that the permit application process is too bureaucratic. "When a business first applies for a permit, it should be like their checking into a five-star hotel. It is not like that now," Campbell said. "Salisbury is a diamond in the rough," Polk said. "Our waterfront and harbor could be the next Baltimore Inner Harbor. That could be us."

"We have to be a community that invests in itself," Day said. "We are currently not a community that does that." Candidates were asked what they would do for students at SU. Polk said she wished to create programs, such as a possible chess tournament, and would like to have workshops regarding safety at the university. Day said policies should apply to students the same way they apply to everyone and wished to create a student community council for them to have a voice. Heath wanted to involve students in the government and get positive word out about them, saying that they are "part of the solution, they are not always part of the problem." "I have not made my mind as to who I'm going to vote for, but I just know that our city has to have some changes, and that's what our leaders are here for, to make some changes," District Two resident Sheila Dodson said. "The right legislation from our future council members will help Salisbury become a more civil and productive community than we are right now." "I think the talk about the development of downtown will greatly benefit the students here and that would attract more students to the Salisbury area," sophomore Joe Tynes said. Primary Elections are being held today from 7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m., at Fire Station #16 (325 Cypress Street) for District 1. District 2 will be held at Harvest Baptist Church (119 S. Blvd) and Wicomico Presbyterian Church (129 Broad St.), depending on precinct. The General Election will be held on April 2.

Students, faculty reflect on need for Black History Month

BY COREY NETHEN
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America has long been labeled as a "melting pot" society: an array of different cultures, religions and races unified as one whole country. Despite this homogenous concept, the history of one particular race is observed for an entire month. Black History Month is celebrated to gain an understanding of the accomplishments and achievements made by significant African Americans. The Civil Rights Act was passed 49 years ago, but many argue that racism is still a prevalent issue in today's society. Dr. James King of the English department said that the time has not yet arrived where all races can function at an even level. He serves on the Black History Month committee at SU and schedules events regarding the anniversary of NAACP and the 1963 March on Washington. "When equality is reached, I'll be glad to take the same break as my white colleagues in February," King said. "This is a driving force: an evolutionary process." While African Americans have made great accomplishments in recent years, namely the double inauguration of President Obama, there have been multiple examples of black prejudice in the media. In his "manifesto," Christopher Dorner cited racial prejudice within the LAPD as a major motivation for his murderous acts. Though the department claims that they have evolved from the days of beating Rodney King or inciting major riots, Dorner's mental breakdown may have more substance than the media portrays. His actions are unjustifiable by nature, but have prompted society to take a deeper look into the ways that racial abuse is still present. Some even support his ideologies. Trayvon Martin's case showed the world that a hooded sweatshirt is more than an article of clothing. A two-year-old child was recently slapped in the face and struck with a racial slur on an airplane after reacting to high altitude like any toddler would; crying. In 2009 Henry Louis Gates was arrested after police responded to a reported burglary. Gates was attempting to gain entrance into his own house. Some students feel that despite these contemporary issues, this tradition should no longer continue.

"It's things like this that have certain minorities holding on to past racism," said junior Maxim Polacco. "We can't forget about these times, but it would make it easier to let go without Black History Month." The tradition is rooted from Negro History Week (1926-1976), as the second week of February marks the births of two civil rights pioneers: Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln. It was later acknowledged by the federal government as a month-long observance, initially celebrated by the Black United Students at Kent State University in 1969. Dr. Clara Small of the history department also works hard to provide students with campus programs, talks, performances and films in February. "The real meaning is sharing cultures that need to be shared because of our history," Small said. "Also, hoping people understand each other better, not only one's accomplishments or failures. We will have a lopsided history if we are not together. While we hold on to our own religions and ethnicities, we're still all Americans." Small suggests that society should be aware of its past in order to develop a brighter future. "The events within the Civil Rights Movement need to be highlighted," said junior Jon Cayer. "They really were not that long ago. The country should celebrate each cultural group; it's what makes us special." Dr. King said that the level of genocide and slaughter of African Americans is close to 45 million. Cause of death includes anything from disease to murder. Many of those lost never made it to the shores of the U.S. Academy Award-winning actor Morgan Freeman does not share the same view as the majority of African Americans. He is against the idea of one month being dedicated to black history; he sees it equal to American history. Senior Eric Russell shares this viewpoint. "How do you fit a culture's history in one month?" asked Russell. "It's presumptuous to delegate a certain amount. It should be celebrated all of the time." "The argument that our suffering is relative is a youthful one. We all suffer," King said. "We want to contextualize the history without denying any other group that same right."

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Gutoskey said. "Then you get sick or bomb a test, and you are looking at a C or a D." Gutoskey said that of the 1,100 students that attend SU their freshman year, only about 50-60 percent will return for their sophomore year. The university's new requirement is intended to prioritize the freshmen in hopes that they will make their GPA a higher concern. With a requirement of students living on campus for two years, living space for other students has become a rising issue. Traditionally non-freshmen residence halls, such as St. Martin's and Chesapeake, have already housed first-year students due to high rise and traditional dorm renovations. It is this shortage of on-campus living space that has students like freshman Julia McLaughlin concerned. "There isn't enough room on campus to house students for two years," McLaughlin said. "Plus, I think sophomores should be more independent and live wherever they want." However, Gutoskey said space will not be an issue because of SU's natural progression of upperclassmen moving off campus. For those students who want to continuing living on

campus past their second year, there are still options. "We feel our responsibility is to prepare students for graduation, to live independently and pay their own bills," Gutoskey said. "Upperclassmen do have an option to live on campus property in Sea Gull Square and University Park, but it's those two. We are able to offer students space. It just might not be the space they want." The new two-year living mandate requires a restructuring of which students can live in certain campus properties. After construction is completed on the traditionally freshmen dorms, St. Martin's and Chesapeake will return to primarily sophomore housing; if the university has more beds than students in those residence halls, juniors and seniors will backfill the space. Sea Gull Square will prioritize sophomores and juniors, whereas UP will accommodate junior and senior students. Upperclassmen students who are concerned about losing their on-campus living options to younger peers need not be too worried due to SU's Squatter's Rights. "Squatter's Rights mean that if you live in Sea Gull Square and you want to stay, you can," Gutoskey said.

Senior Torey Krugle is one of those students who have exercised her Squatter's Rights during her career at SU. "I decided to live on campus because of the convenience. I like being close to my classes, not having to deal with parking, and if I forgot to print something or talk to a professor I can easily go do that," Krugle said. "I also feel a little safer living on campus." Krugle said she believes the two-year housing requirement will affect upperclassmen on campus living. "I feel like every year I hear about freshman class sizes growing and issues housing all of them," Krugle said. "I imagine requiring all those students to live on campus for two years will leave a lot less space for upperclassmen." The immediate construction plans for SU's campus do not focus on housing either. The Academic Commons is the next building in the construction queue, but in another four to five years, Dogwood Village may be replaced with a 300 to 400 bed apartment complex. Gutoskey said. "We need another residence hall, but it is not an emergency," Gutoskey said.

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He is also targeting other important issues in his campaign for mayor, including the city's crime. While the crime rates have decreased a solid amount over the last few years, Alberio says he wants to continue the good work of the Salisbury Police department, Wicomico County Sheriff's office, the Maryland State Police and the Wicomico County State's Attorney's office. "We also want to see a decline in property crimes," Alberio said. He noted Salisbury must continue to implement the Safe Streets Plan, which has lowered

crime rates since it was introduced to Salisbury in 2010 by Maryland Governor Martin O'Malley. This Safe Streets Coalition institutes collaboration and information sharing across all levels of government in an aim to dramatically reduce crime. By stressing the city's overall need for new businesses and economic expansion, Joe Alberio will challenge Mayor Iretton for his position, and the decision is in the hands of the Salisbury community, including students.

IRISH PENNY

"I have eaten there twice since it opened," junior Brittany Bishop said. "A friend told me to try it out, and it was the best Irish food I've ever had. I walked over after class one day with a couple friends, and we're planning to do the same next week." Locating across from the SU campus seemed to be a smart call. Many students live off-campus, and choosing a place to eat while on campus involves what's most convenient. But will this affect student drinking patterns? Senior Anton Ivenanko said he feels that not having to rely on transportation after a cou-

ple drinks saves time, money and maybe even a ticket. "Walking home in the cold when I've been drinking is never on the top of my list," Ivenanko said. "I had to walk from Brew River all the way to Camden Avenue, and that's a decision I'd rather never make again. Walking home from The Irish Penny seems a lot more appealing." Other students seem to agree. Many said they tried out the new restaurant simply because it was close to campus. The opening of The Irish Penny brought in many students because they saw it while going to and from school. Senior Kelly Cook said she is a big

fan, and plans to go there on St. Patrick's Day. The bar specials and Irish celebrations are bringing her back in to celebrate. "I don't think I ever would have never noticed the bar if I didn't pass it every day going to school," Cook said. "The fact that my house is about 15 minutes in walking distance from the place played a big factor in my choice to go there." Owner Urban said the turnout has been pretty good so far. For St. Patrick's Day, he is planning on having live music and drink specials all day at The Irish Penny and welcomes everyone to come and join the celebration.

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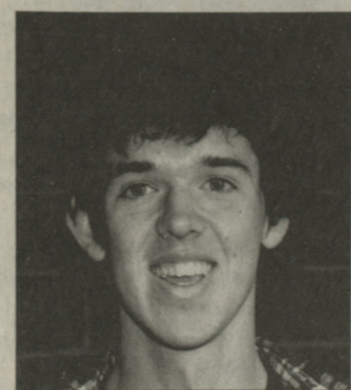
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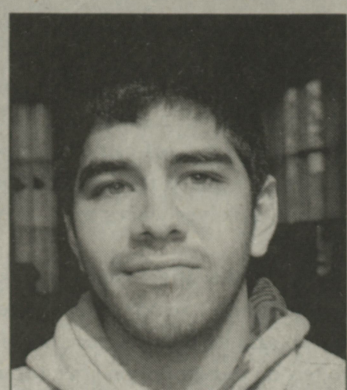
Overheard: How do you feel about the proposed campus sustainability fee?



"It would be pretty sweet. Where else are they going to get the money?"
-Will Chandler, Freshman



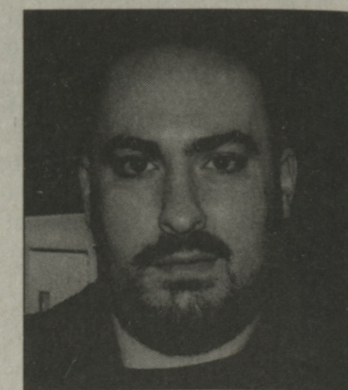
"I'm impartial. It's \$4, you can give up a cup of coffee."
-Kristen Burns, Freshman



"I'm strongly for it, \$4 is not that much and we've already seen some great changes."
-Adrian Roman, Junior



"You probably spend \$50 a year on water bottles. Things like the new water fountains are much more economical for college students. I'm for it."
-Sam Greenberg, Senior



"I don't care. It'll help with recycling and keeping green. With tuition so high an extra \$8 a year won't break the bank."
-Sam Sanes, Senior

To see the full Overheard interviews visit our website at www.thesuflyer.com. For more information on the proposed campus sustainability fee read the follow up story in next week's issue of The Flyer.

How to break up with a best friend



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You can't break up with your best friend and expect them not to take it personally.

It's completely personal. It's hard to explain to someone that the feelings felt before have changed and you need space. It happens though, and the only thing you can do is try to respect their feelings and stay civil. They don't always forgive you, and even if they do, it will take a while. If it's a decision any person is considering, however, there are ways to maintain the friendship while eliminating the excess.

The excess, which too often presents itself in relationships, can be hard to extricate without seriously offending someone, so the best thing is to be the bigger person, understand how they feel and help them cope. For starters, the break-up needs to be swift and is best if done in person. Starting the end of a relationship can be made less tedious than necessary by sending some fairly obvious signals, such as suggesting a meeting to talk some things over.

If taking this approach, it's best to give some warnings by conveying a change of heart; express the negative/changed feelings without placing direct blame on that person. It's best not to offend the person you're hurting if you're not sure how the person will react; vulnerability can make people irrational.

If it's long-distance, remind them you both knew it would be hard and that it's

"It's hard to explain to someone that the feelings felt before have changed and you need space."

a reasonable way to end things. The benefit of being a student and trying to end a relationship is emphasizing the added stress of maintaining a relationship while being a student and suggesting some time apart to focus on school. Whether or not you get back together is flexible, but in order to preserve the friendship and restore it avoid making promises to that person.

When breaking up, it's important to be committed and not falter. To avoid losing you, they may attempt to seduce you, so avoid succumbing when your judgment tells you otherwise even if the sex is great.

Some friends are more understanding than others, and if the friendship is a strong and genuine one, they may take the news well and still be down for some break-up sex. Other times, if the person tries to lure you in with sex after erratically yelling and crying in attempts to make you stay, personal space is the best solution. In dysfunctional relationships, sex is often a powerful weapon used to manipulate others who can't recognize the potential threat.

If a relationship is so overwhelming that you find yourself constantly seeking advice from friends and/or boring them with your issues, it's best to take some time and reflect on your relationship to decide whether or not it's best to keep dating. Love complicates break-ups, but if the ratio of days crying to not crying is 5:1, there's clearly a problem. It's best to neutralize the situation by trying to break their heart as little as possible; reassure them that the dependency isn't a result of their inadequacies or character flaws, but a reason to spend time apart and grow as an individual.

If a person is truly your friend, they'll try to understand even if it hurts them. If they become increasingly defensive, offensive, possessive and/or aggressive, it's best to leave the situation entirely. Cutting contact is sometimes necessary in break-ups, even if it's hard, but sometimes love can be a delusion induced by friendship. Being friends can make break-ups awkward, but if you're unhappy with someone, regardless of circumstances, leave.

Our View

Leave science to the scientists, not the politicians

With Congressman Paul "evolution is lies straight from the pit of Hell" Broun announcing his candidacy for Georgia's United States Senate seat, it is necessary to address how dangerous it is for politicians to make science a partisan issue.

The relationship between politics and science should be a one-way street. Science should influence politics, not the other way around. Public policy on issues like global warming and evolution should be modeled on the overwhelming scientific consensus on the issues, not what politicians who have never stepped foot in a lab after high school think.

When politicians, religious organizations and corporate America try to influence science to manipulate its results to match their desired outcomes, it puts the public in danger of succumbing to ignorance and essentially brainwashes America's students to believe a perversion of science, instead of the real science that truly unveils the complexities of the natural world.

When politicians and political commentators make science a partisan issue, they pick and choose the science that coincides with their beliefs while ignoring the rest of science.

An example of this is conservative commentator Ann Coulter, who does not believe the extensive scientific studies and experiments affirming the existence of global warming and evolution but wants to see conclusive scientific evidence proving (to her) that homosexuality is not a "choice."

In an effort to promote their own agendas, politicians are convincing feeble-minded voters to question well-established scientific facts. And yet 46 percent of Americans don't "believe" in evolution, according to a 2012 Gallup study. What's worse is that the number of anti-evolutionists has actually increased in the past 20 years.

This is a serious problem, and if politicians don't stop playing on their supporters' beliefs, it's only going to get worse. America has become a nation where basic facts are up for debate. That's not to say we should believe every scientific study that is published. That's what research is all about. But we need to educate ourselves before doing so. If you're going to question someone's research, don't do it simply because a politician or religious figure told you to.

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positional for traditional affordable housing on the river into an Artisans' residence, providing lower-income housing, economic redevelopment and arts support for our Downtown and entire city. I support policies that enabled Evolution Brewery to repurpose a former ice plant building near Downtown and have been a strong supporter of developing strategies to encourage SU graduates to stay in Salisbury as innovators and entrepreneurs.

Making Innovation a Reality:
Asking, "How can we achieve the best possible outcome?" has always been my approach, and it's one of the reasons I was named one of the Daily Record's "Top Innovators of 2011." My national exposure to "things that work" gives me insight into developing innovative strategies.

I hope you will check out my website, www.Campbell4Salisbury.com to learn more about innovative thinking and see links like www.UnreasonableAtSea.com, where young innovators like Daniel Epstein think way beyond "outside the box." I promise that you will be inspired by Daniel's endeavors!

I ask for your vote in the Feb. 26 primary and April 2 general elections. The District 2 polling place is Harvest Baptist Church at the corner of South Boulevard and Eastern Shore Drive, open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. If you have any questions, give me a call at 410-860-0893 or email me at debbiescampbell@comcast.net. Salisbury has incredible potential. Let's unlock it together!

-Debbie Campbell, Vice President
Salisbury City Council

Our advice to you: Tips from upperclassmen on stress management

BY TAYLOR COLBERT
Staff Writer

As a second-semester senior who's looking forward to graduation, there are some things that I look back on and wish I knew as a freshman or sophomore here at SU. From making friends, to getting extra help from a professor, there are always things we could have done differently. So, underclassmen, here is our advice to you.

"If I could go back and do something differently, I would stress less. I made myself believe that if I didn't get straight A's, I would not get into the nursing program. Although I don't believe I should have gone and partied three or more nights a week like everyone else, I do wish I would have spent more time not worrying. When I went out, I thought about what work I could be doing or I would turn down

something because there was work I could do."
-Megan Hassan, Senior

Stress is a part of the college life. Everyone overstresses at some point, usually on a weekly basis. Whether you're stressing the night before a term paper is due, or stressing a week before you have an exam, it's bound to happen. One crucial part of being in college, though, is learning to deal with it. A few tips on managing stress:

• Take study breaks. This doesn't mean open your book, then turn on the television and watch for three hours. Every 30-60 minutes, take a snack break, read a magazine, or chat with friends. Then get back to the books.

• Go for a walk. Leave your room, grab a friend and some coffee, and take a deep breath.

• Make a schedule. Plan out your study time, but leave space to have a little fun, too.

• Work out or join a team. The physical activity will help you shake off the studying jitters, and the gym is a great place to meet people.

This is not to say that your life should be totally stress-free. Unfortunately, stress is a part of being a "big kid." There will always be a chapter to read, a paper to write or an exam to study for. But college is also one of the last chances we have to occasionally act like a kid, so make sure you take it.

Are you a junior or senior with some advice to give, or an underclassman with a question? Send Taylor an e-mail at tc27401@salisbury.edu.

Sequester threatens Head Start funding



BY TYLER GRAY
Staff Writer

There's no denying that education leads to a brighter and more successful future for not only the children that attend school, but also for the country as a whole.

The reputable education program "Head Start" is one way to allow young pre-kindergarten kids to begin their schooling before they start elementary school. The program also benefits families by allowing lower-income families with children to advance further in their own lives and careers while their children are learning how to read, write and do arithmetic from high-quality educators before they are even allowed to attend school.

This program is heavily pushed by President Barack Obama, who pointed out to critics of the program that children who are involved in the Head Start program grow up more likely to read and do math at or above grade level, graduate high school, hold a job and form more stable families of their own.

In fact, President Obama claims he wants to expand the Head Start program to more children all over America.

In his State of the Union address this month, Obama said "Every dollar we invest in high-quality early education can save more than \$7 later on - by boosting graduation rates, reducing teen pregnancy, even reducing violent crime."

However, this news contradicts with Congress' current plan to actually cut almost \$85 billion from the federal budget, with a chunk of that coming out of the Head Start program. The projected cuts to Head Start total approximately \$400 million, but the actual amount slashed could end up being much higher. This budget cut could stop up to 70,000 kids or more from entering Head Start programs around the country this year. This could prove devastating to families who use the Head Start program to not only allow parents to pursue their careers but also to all those children who will not have the opportunity to get a leg up on their early education.

"Seeing the really positive outcomes we have had and the incredible waiting lists, it makes you sick to your stomach," said Head Start director Jo Pepper.

With waiting lists as long as 700 children, it is a shame to see the program be made unavailable to all families that want to give their children a chance to get ahead in their education, but no word has been heard from Congress about ways to relocate budget cuts. If anything, we can hope that many of these children get a great education from another source, because pretty soon Head Start might not be the "head start" kids need.

In danger? Text 911



BY AJIA ALLEN
Staff Writer

The first thing anyone being chased by a crazed maniac thinks to do is text for help.

The Federal Communications Commission made the decision to extend emergency alert services to the new nation in 2010. FCC Chairman Julius Genachowski declared the alert service would allow dispatchers to receive texting, video and picture messages.

Salisbury's initiative to utilize the new technology at the local police department is currently underway. It makes sense to provide the text-to-911 service to a generation of

people who would rather text than call on a regular basis as it is.

At first glance though, the service sounds outright dumb. Most associate the severity of a situation with the reaction of the person involved. When one thinks of an emergency, texting for assistance doesn't spring to mind as the first alternative.

Emergencies tend to cause frantic behavior, and what's much more easily accessible to victims and on-lookers in a related scenario is grabbing the phone and hitting "Talk" to immediately reach an emergency dispatcher. Not to mention the voice of the caller can display the level of hysteria in the situation.

How in the world could texting during an emergency event come into handy?

Well, Generation Y is more likely to text than use the phone for an actual phone call. The emergency texting service will be especially relevant for Generation Z, who probably won't know what a phone call is.

Normally the first things individuals of these generation classes think to do when they pick up

their cellular phones is text someone or check their notifications. Cell phones are used most for communication nowadays and are mainly associated with the convenience offered to the user.

Texting may be the best alternative for an emergency alert service in the present day since cell phone users tend to think of texts as the main source of communication anyway. Text-to-911 could be the best friend of disabled persons or people unable to speak due to fear of a situation.

Salisbury University has a similar emergency notification system that allows those who have signed up for the service to receive text messages about criminal incidents or community dangers. Service registration is accessible via GullNet for students, faculty and staff. The top four wireless carriers will offer the text-to-911 alert option by May 2014. As applicable as the new system may be to this technological era, it won't replace calling 911 for the simple fact that not everybody likes to text and making a quick call to speak to an actual receiving voice may be the difference between life and death.

Letter to the Editor

In response to the article "Hoax proves severity of SU crime problem" published in the Feb. 19 issue of The Flyer.

I have a major problem with the article printed on the front page of The Flyer last week.

Last week The Flyer placed an article about SU's crime problem on the front page. While I am not refuting the fact that Salisbury does have a crime problem, I would like to point out a few major issues and generalizations that are found in this article. These issues should have taken the article out of the paper and into the garbage bin.

First is the issue of titling the large graphic on the front page "Crime Rates." This chart is not about crime rates, it is the distribution of crimes committed in Salisbury versus the distribution nationally. A crime rate is the number of crimes committed per person. The difference is huge. The distribution only specifies what crime a victim of a crime is most likely to be a victim of. A crime rate is the likelihood anyone will be a victim of a crime.

According to the source you used, neighborhoodscount.com, Salisbury's violent crime rate is 12.76 annual crimes per 1,000 residents, which is far more than the national median of 3.9.

Neighborhoodscount.com, however is a poor source. The crime rate calculation they use includes most of Wicomico County, including Delmar, Willards and Bivalve; all communities most would not associate as being part of Salisbury. In addition, neighborhoodscount.com also only lists calls for services in Wicomico County, while the national statistics are calculated using reported crime. The Salisbury Police department and Wicomico County Sheriff's Office have every statistic imaginable online for free, as does the Federal Bureau of Investigation. These are the

reliable sources that should be used when determining crime rates.

Salisbury's crime rate is also easily skewed because of the bizarre municipal boundaries that often exclude some of the safest communities in the Salisbury area. Most of Riverside Drive, for example, is outside of the city limits, yet rougher neighborhoods are completely within the city limits. These geographical issues are often overlooked. A fair analysis of crime in what most students and residents call "Salisbury" cannot be done without addressing this issue.

Finally, Salisbury's crime rate has to be examined keeping in mind that it is a college town. There are over 8,000 non-residents that still have an impact on crime, thus artificially boosting the crime rate. An illustration of this is Ocean City which, by all accounts, is the most dangerous place in Maryland (and one of the most dangerous in the world). Why? Because only 7,000 people live there, yet over 2 million people contribute to crime every year. A less extreme example? According to neighborhoodscount.com (and the logic of the author), you are more likely to be a victim of property crime at the University of Maryland than Salisbury University.

It is unquestionable that crime in Salisbury is higher than the national average and is a serious problem. But when a publication makes that argument, it must cite credible sources, have a clear understanding of what it means to be "in" Salisbury and examine the many factors that may influence crime rates.

-Sean Atkins, student

Letter to the Editor

Salisbury City Council Vice President Debbie Campbell asks for your vote this election day.

As the Salisbury University Flyer is published on Tues, Feb. 26, students who read this and who are registered to vote in the City of Salisbury still have time to go to the polls to cast a ballot for their candidate of choice for Salisbury City Council seats. It will be important for students to cast informed votes and get the facts because, as often happens in Salisbury politics, special interests see students as an easy target for misinformation.

Over the years, it has been my privilege as your elected representative on the City Council to make progress on some of the issues of greatest concern to students. Here are just a few examples:

Crime: Safety is one of the top student issues - it's been mine, too. I have actively pursued greater safety for Salisbury, getting students engaged in the process. I worked with a former president of the Student Government Association to schedule student ride-alongs and neighborhood walks while we worked together on the Crime Task Force.

You are safer because I pushed for the reform of the police salary structure to retain experienced officers. As a result arrests of suspects in a murder in the Princeton Homes neighborhood near Bennett Middle School were made - the same suspects wanted in connection with the gunpoint robbery of SU students.

Student Pedestrian and Bike Safety: Safety also includes matters such as the Onley/Bateman intersection, changes to which

languished for years. We arrived at a solution that not only improved pedestrian safety, but one that included a partnership with SU, cost far less and was able to include bike lanes!

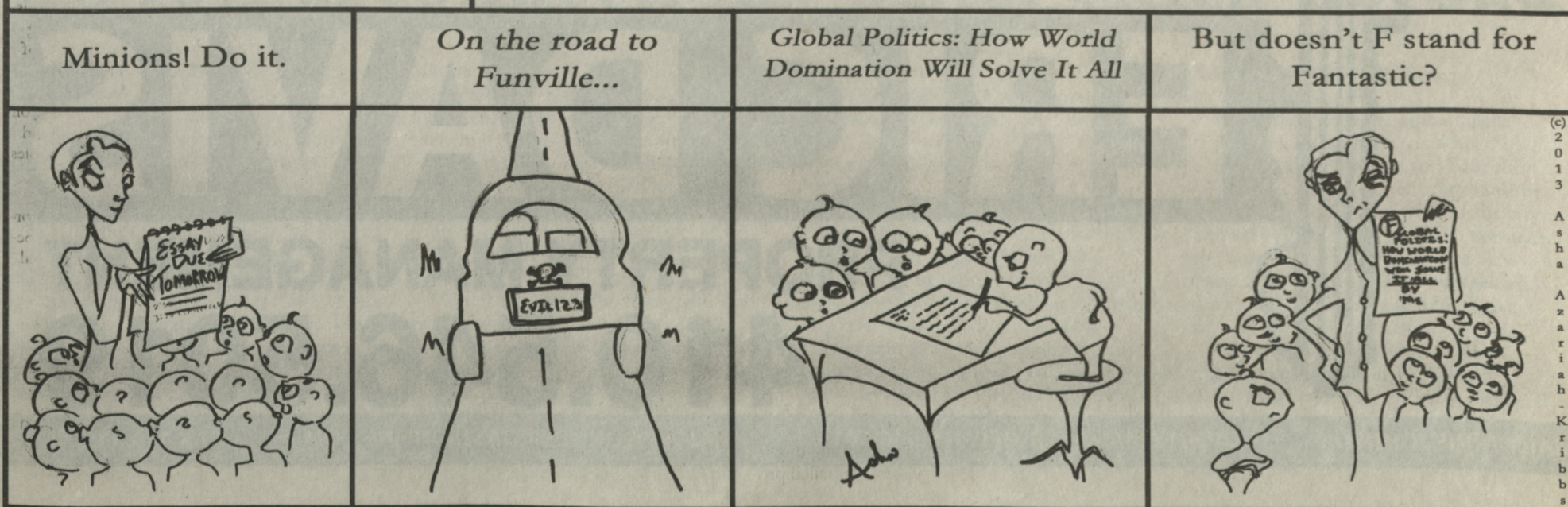
Safe and Affordable Housing: My efforts helped advance the City's first Tenants' Rights Lease Addendum so that every lease, verbal or written, would have this important notice to tenants of their rights and resources. (If your new or renewing lease doesn't have it, please call the Neighborhood Services Department at (410) 341-9550 to report its absence.) Housing that is safe, code-compliant and affordable to students and others is another top issue. It's one in which I am a nationally recognized expert. I have advocated for affordable student housing and worked hard to promote policies that drive the development of high quality student housing. I also hosted two affordable housing workshops in Salisbury with state housing officials to foster affordable housing.

"We Love Salisbury," the Environment and the Economy: Former SGA President Patrick Gotham and I were brainstorming one day on how to improve student-host town relations. Our idea took flight as the "We Love Salisbury" campaign that is still going strong today.

The Wicomico River is a source of identity, fun and commerce, so cleaning it up is important. I introduced the solution of storm water intake filters to protect the river.

I'm proud to be the catalyst for turning the River's Edge riverfront project from a failed pro-

THE NIGHT BEFORE



Letter to the Editor

Andy Harris Town Hall on gun legislation was an environment with "overwhelming" "rage and anger."

I, along with Judy Harris and about 10-15 other gun legislation supporters, attended Congressman Andy Harris's Town Hall meeting in Ocean City on Feb. 16.

There were about 200 people there, the majority of which were gun-rights advocates and bluntly, right-wing survivalist loons, who see the day when "blood will be spilled" and this "tyrannical government will be overthrown."

Quite honestly, I have never been in a situation (even after 45 years of rallies, demonstrations and being dragged out of the Nassau Coliseum - Long Island - by Secret Service, while protesting Richard Nixon's speech), where I was frightened by the individuals around me.

The rage and anger was overwhelming in an environment that was egged on by the likes of Harris and Delegate Mike McDermott. A perfect example of Harris's ability to encourage dissension and hate was shown at the beginning of the meeting. He specifically said to us that this "Town Hall was set to discuss guns and to address the gun violence questions. So I want to limit it to that topic only. If we have time at the end, after everyone is able to ask a question, we can move to other issues, but not until then."

The first person called on to ask a question started out with allegations that "we have a president who is documented not to have been born in the U.S., and he is not a U.S. citizen, so when is Congress going to start impeachment proceedings?" This lunatic's question was followed by big cheers from the pro-gun nuts in the crowd.

Did Harris try to cut him off or redirect the topic back to guns? No, he let the "birther" continue, unabated, until he had his say, which included immigration and illegals, as well.

When the conversation came around to "overthrowing the government," did Harris try to calm down the crazies? No, he argued that there was precedence for allowing a group to try and overthrow the government; he used the "Athens Rebellion" example in order to express his support.

If you aren't familiar with Athens Rebellion, look it up on Wikipedia. It happened in 1946 and no one was prosecuted for it, as opposed to Shay's Rebellion, in 1787, which resulted in arrests and even two hangings, plus, having the effect on the Constitutional Convention framers, to prevent such "rebellions" in the future.

Even George Washington said, "Let us have a government by which our lives, liberties and properties will be secured, or let us know the worst at once."

In the end, both Harris and McDermott were clearly pro-gun and opposed to any new legislation that would "infringe on our God-given rights, as expressed in the Second Amendment." Harris is attempting to use the mental health issue as a diversion and his misuse of studies and data must be exposed at every opportunity. He is clearly comfortable with creating and encouraging

divisions, based on fear and hate, along with a good sprinkling of misinformation and straight-out lies.

As I was leaving the parking lot at the Holiday Inn, I kept glancing in the rear-view mirror. I didn't put it past the pro-gun crazies to follow me, since I and Judy (along with several others) were very outspoken at the meeting. I didn't stop checking until I was halfway back to Salisbury!

Andy Harris is a master magician! He uses bits of information and partial statistics like a magician uses sleight-of-hand. I was at this "Town Hall" and I can tell you that Harris is very eager to stoke the fires of hate and fear, allowing people to threaten the overthrow of the government without saying a word of caution against them. He knows who supports him.

One person behind me, red with rage, actually said that if the current bill in Annapolis passes, and the government seeks to charge him with failing to follow the law (after a 5 year allowance to comply), "Blood will be spilled!" That is an exact quote!

Meanwhile, Del. McDermott was adamant in his hatred for any further restrictions on guns or background checks. His argument is that "only the law-abiding citizen is hurt by these laws."

My response to his ignorance is that "EVERYONE is law-abiding until they pick up a gun and decide to go shoot someone!"

McDermott is another politician who approves of pitting one group against the

other, invoking fear and inciting some to take inappropriate, violent action. As he says, we should have armed guards at our schools, because the "only way to stop a bad guy with a gun is with a good guy with a gun!" Really, Delegate? Did you come up with that all by yourself?

In ending, the same red-faced person who yelled out that "blood will be spilled," later said that there were "310 million people in our country who will stand up with me."

Sorry, my fantasizing friend, but here is one that will not be "standing" with you...and I believe that there are many others who will refuse to "stand" with you when you move to overthrow the US government.

You have no right to overthrow the government. That was put in the Declaration of Independence (which is not law) in order to justify the separation from England and the King, along with a listing of complaints. There is nothing in the U.S. Constitution that permits the overthrow of the government, tyrannical or otherwise. That's why the framers put in elections and the right of the people to petition the government with their grievances. The thing is, I think you are still upset about losing the election...well, get over it and move on!

-Ron Pagano

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SU-TV produces college style Nickelodeon spoof

BY DYLAN CRAIG
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SU-TV staff members have been in search of stars for their newest production, "Ted's Declassified College Survival Guide."

The show is based off the comedic program "Ned's Declassified School Survival Guide," which aired on Nickelodeon from 2004-2007.

"Ned's Declassified" gives tips on how to manage many of the social aspects of middle school, including homework, dating and bullies.

Writer and Salisbury University senior Sam Jones said he has been a fan of the Nickelodeon version and similar shows that have aired on the network.

"While watching the show, I wondered why there was not a college version," Jones said. "So we bounced a couple ideas around and decided we had to do it."

The SU-TV show will consist of many eccentric characters including metal-heads, obnoxious frat boys and the annoyed housing office secretary.

"We are working off real college experiences and trying to base our characters off the different people you may run into in college," director and SU junior Michael Smigiel said.

Some of the main characters will have personalities based off the Nickelodeon show, but others are completely original. While positions for lead roles may fill, auditions will be an ongoing process as strange



Terrance Payne photo

SU students showed off their acting skills to earn a spot in the SU-TV production of "Ted's Declassified College Survival Guide."

new side characters are introduced each episode.

The audience will receive humorous tips on aspects of college like frat parties, move-in day and bad roommates.

The character of Kim will not only focus on general college issues, but also those that specifically affect young women, like watching out for frat boys with bad reputations.

"Ted's Declassified College Survival Guide" may be based off a Nickelodeon show, but it will not have the same children-friendly content.

The show will have a much more young-adult sense of humor as it portrays drunken mishaps and pot-head janitors.

The team said they are very happy with the show's progress so far. Audition members have been enthusiastically taking the stage.

"They made it a comfortable and fun environment in auditioning," senior Megan Rosario said after leaving her audition. "The lines chosen for us to read made me excited for what's to come."

Producer and sophomore Ben Walter said he is very surprised with

the outcome.

"Many more people have come out for auditions than I expected, but we are always looking for more," he said.

Currently three episodes have been written and Smigiel said he hopes to start filming soon.

Look for "Ted's Declassified College Survival Guide" on SU-TV channel 7.6 next month.

Wildfowl museum showcases local artist

BY ASHA AZARIAH-KRIBBS
Staff Writer

A peacock arises in lush splendor, drawing the eye of everyone around it. Matthew Hillier's "Peacock in Flight" is on display at The Ward Museum of Wildfowl Art in an exhibit of his work that will last through early June.

Hillier was born in Buckinghamshire, England, and he has traveled around Europe, Africa and Asia in his pursuit of new artistic inspiration, which he said comes from nature.

He now lives on Maryland's Eastern Shore, in Tunis Mills, where he finds a wealth of waterfowl to capture on canvas. His true passion lies in illustrating birds in motion, particularly water birds.

Hillier doesn't set his brush to birds alone. Fascinated by water, Hillier paints rolling waves and sailing ships with the same intricacy and skill that he affords his feathered friends.

"Morvenna" is a masterful rendition of a brave-looking craft, and there is no denying the spirit and flare in the wind-swelled sails of the ship caught in "A Fair Wind."

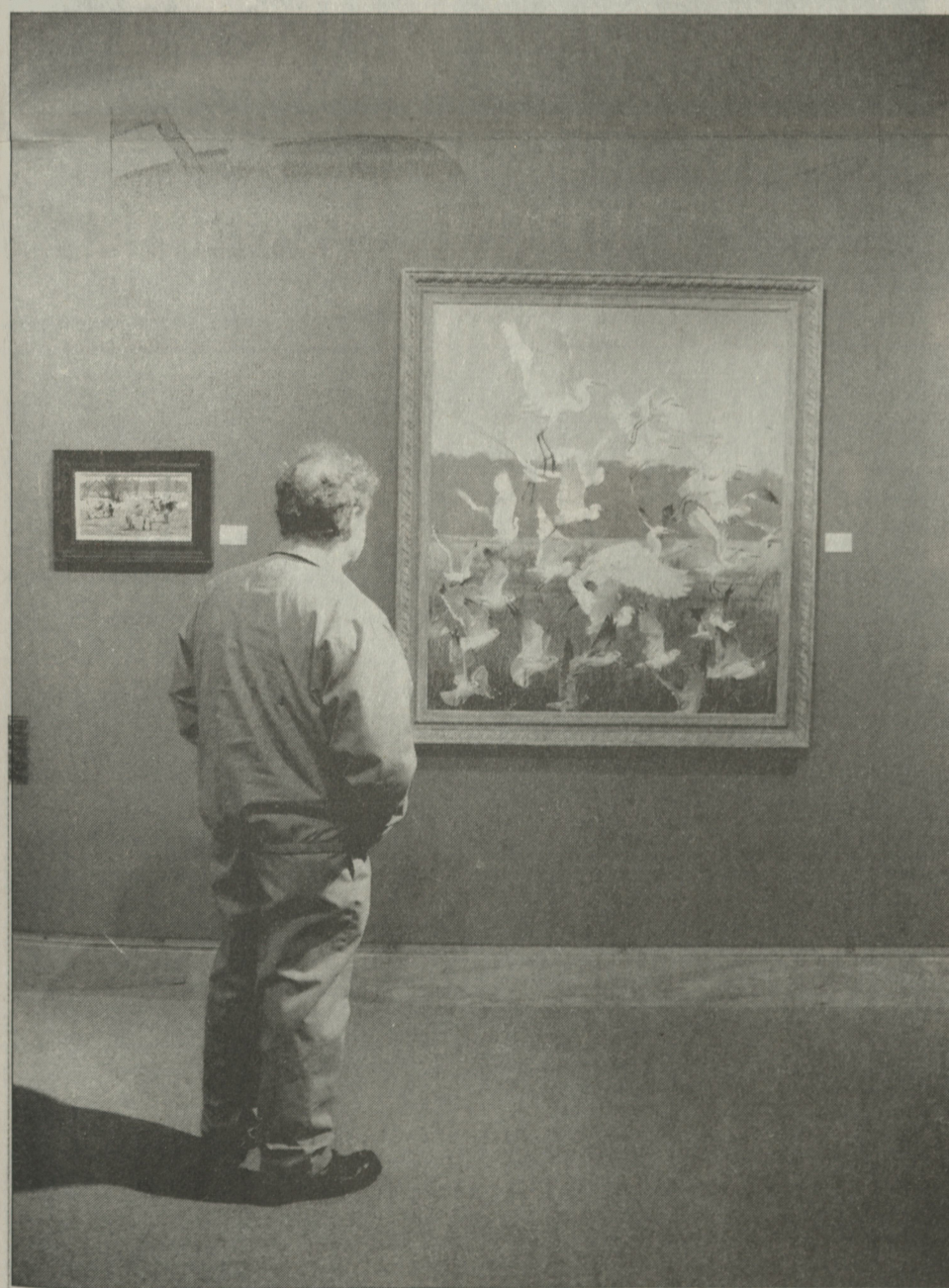
A love for sentiment in his settings is evident in the simple elegance of his painting, "The Uninvited Guests," depicting a young bride by the seaside, a retinue of cheerful little gulls at her heels.

There are, too, a few scattered pictures of life separate from the coast. One picture features English hunters on horseback, and others show animals Hillier encountered during one of his trips in search of new subjects.

Hillier has received awards for his work in the United States and United Kingdom, and his paintings are featured in the Hiram Blauvelt permanent collection in New Jersey as well as in the Raymond James Collection in St. Petersburg, Fla.

Hillier's ability to capture the vivacity and spirit of birds and sea are inspiration in and of themselves to any aspiring artist, and to anyone who loves the coast and the feathered creatures that call it home.

Check out Hillier's work at the Ward Museum through June 2 Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.



Asha Azariah-Kribbs photo

A museum visitor studies Hillier's oil painting, "Marsh Uprising."

SU forms connections 'sister cities' abroad

BY EMILY OUTTARAC
Staff Writer

Sister Cities Association is connecting Salisbury University to the world. "It's important for us at SU to really be aware of other cultures and communities," said George Whitehead, chair of Sister Cities Wicomico County. "Sister Cities is one way to do that."

Wicomico County's Sister Cities Association was created in 2006 and linked to SU through administrators at the time. Prior to officially joining Sister Cities International, Salisbury has had a relationship with Tartu, Estonia since 1999.

The relationship started through the

Maryland National Guard State Partnership Program in the Republic of Estonia where the two regions strengthened their military-to-military contact.

Since then SU has established a study abroad program with the University of Tartu. Even though the program in Estonia is offered every semester, most students don't even know about SCI's existence.

"When you think Salisbury, you don't exactly think diverse and cultural," sophomore Morgan Scott said. "I had no idea we were connected to all these foreign places."

Whitehead said he does not blame students for their unawareness of SCI, but he stresses the importance of being

globally aware.

"Sister Cities can open doors with communities we have a relationship with," Whitehead said. "It provides opportunities you wouldn't normally have."

A group of visiting SU students in London had one of those opportunities. They met the mayor of Salisbury, England, an experience that wouldn't have happened if there was not a sister city relationship, Whitehead said.

President Dwight Eisenhower proposed the nonprofit, citizen diplomacy network that established relationships between the U.S. and international communities in 1956. Originally created to repair post-World War II tensions,

the organization's goal have not changed much.

They want to create global peace through cultural understanding, economic development and education.

The association hoped to expand by acquiring a South American sister city and creating new programs to connect the community with Tartu and Salisbury. Still, Whitehead encouraged students and community members to be involved with Sister Cities.

"Take advantage of international experiences tied to Sister Cities," Whitehead said. "If you were involved you really do have the opportunity to learn about another culture, an opportunity to visit another country."

SU hosts knights of Round Table

BY ASHA AZARIAH-KRIBBS
Staff Writer

Alan Jay Lerner and Frederick Loewe's "Camelot" is a classic in the musical tradition, but the classic tale will be told again under the direction of Salisbury University Professor T. Paul Pfeiffer this weekend.

As two fairies and a knight of the Round Table theatre majors Sara Tart, Sarah Decker and Chris Hager said they believe that even as classical and time-honored a story as "Camelot" can relate to today's generation.

"There are a lot of secrets," Tart said. "A lot of different cliches. It's set in 1782, but there are still people you like, still people you don't like—there's always someone who thinks they're better than you."

With an interest in theatre that has endured since or before high school, the three actors have been in Salisbury theatre productions prior to "Camelot," and have had prior experience in musicals.

"I was a cheerleader in first grade," Tart said. "In sixth grade I was in a high school production that made me realize how much I love the art (of theatre)."

Decker attributes her enthusiasm with theatre to her love of performing in front of her young cousins, while Hager said he appreciates the opportunity to "meet people." All three agree that theatre is attractive for its escapism, the ability to "break from reality" and "learn something about yourself" in the process.

The three don't find it too difficult to balance homework and theatre, since "school and theatre tend to run together" for theatre majors.

Rehearsals can be time-consuming. Tart, Decker and Hager agree that an actor should rehearse not just during the official evening rehearsals, but during "whatever free time you have."

A lot of work goes into memorizing speaking roles and perfecting choreographed routines in order to avoid mistakes on at the play's opening night.

Decker said the musical brings out the purpose of being human. "The love triangles, the joys and conflicts all underline the enduring theme of the follies and joys experienced in life, and the audience is able to relate to these and sympathize with characters not wholly different from themselves."

The legend of King Arthur is remembered today with good reason. The "Camelot" musical is a whimsical remembrance of this dear old legend, preserving its original themes with a cavalier twist sure to charm.

**Date: March 1-3* and 8-10*
Time: 8 p.m., 2 p.m.*
Place: Holloway Auditorium**

Dining Review

"☆☆☆" PAT'S PIZZA

RACHEL THURMAN
Staff Writer

In 1974 the first Pat's pizza was opened in New Jersey. Since then, Pat's has expanded to three other states and continues to grow. There are many pizza places in Salisbury, but this week I decided to try Pat's because it is so close and right across from campus. They promise to be "fresh and delicious" with "homemade dough made fresh daily."

Walking in, it looks like a casual pizza place. I ordered at the register and a waitress brought my food to me at a table. The restaurant was not very busy, so

it didn't take very long to get my food.

The menu features pasta, wings, burgers, subs, sandwiches, wraps and of course,

pizza. I ordered a pepperoni pizza, french fries and a hamburger. It was a lot of food, but I wanted to sample a few things.

The pizza came out hot and tasted fresh but unfortunately, it was nothing special."

was too greasy. I ended up blotting a slice of pizza with at least two napkins. The french fries were greasy as well, and they seemed a bit soggy. I was left unimpressed. The hamburger was good, but it wasn't one of

Price: \$6-12
Gull Card: Yes
3/5 stars

the best burgers I have ever had.

Although it isn't the best place pizza place I have been to in Salisbury, they do take Gull Card, and it is within walking distance from campus. The service was quick and the employees were friendly.

Pat's also offers carryout and has a large selection for anyone. If you are eating out with many people, it may be a good choice because of the large selection. Pat's caters any size event and they have an exceptionally large catering menu.

Overall Pat's was okay, and I would give it a three out of five stars. The convenience and service were great, but the food was subpar.

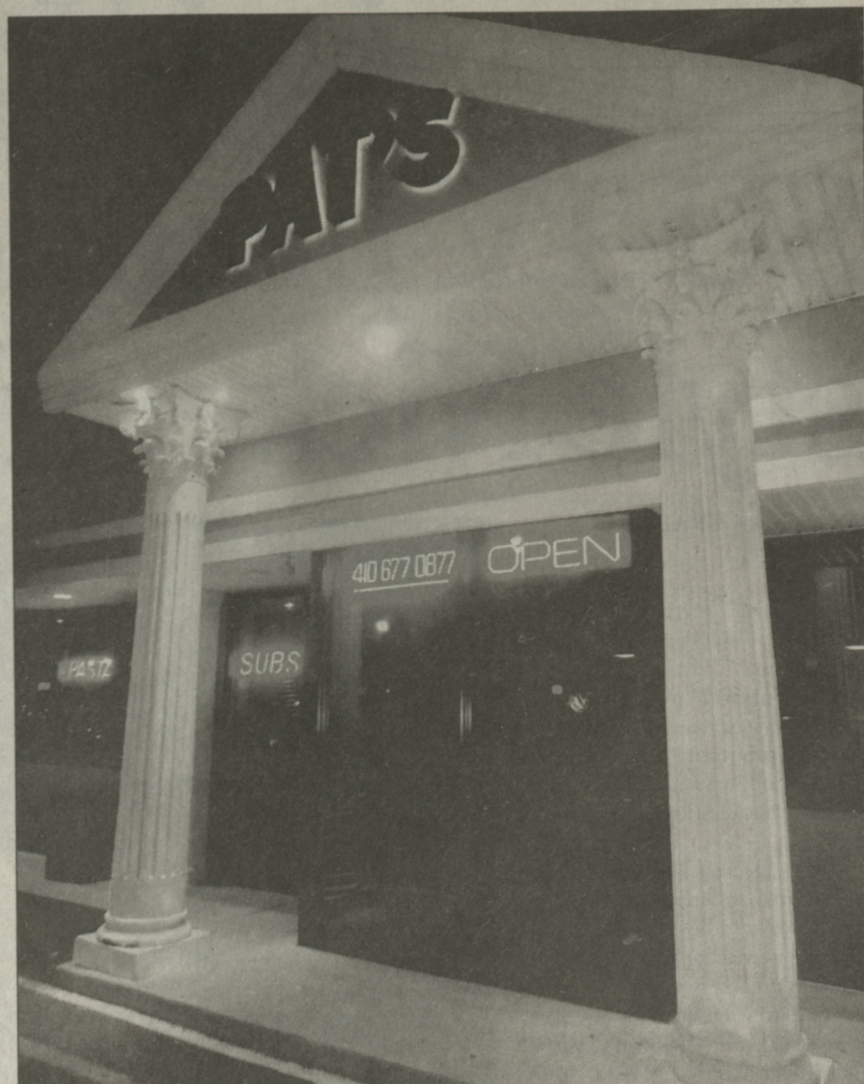


Photo by Rachel Thurman
Local Restaurant Pat's Pizzeria has great service but average food.

Seniors prepare one-act shows

BY JASMINE CLAY
Staff Writer

Almost every child has grown up alongside the lovable characters on Sesame Street. But what if there was more to the story, and the humans in the show weren't there by choice?

Senior communications major and theatre minor Reed DeLisle will explore this dark comedy about Muppets and retaliation in "A Rough Day on the Street."

DeLisle is directing the play as part of the Salisbury University Theatre Department's one act performances, which are set to open this spring. The program will be co-led by senior theatre major Michael Windsor, who is directing "Seven Menus," a look at the evolution of relationships.

"Seven Menus" features a group of friends examining how their relationships change over the course of several different meals. Windsor describes the play as subtle comedy featuring a modern and simple set to emphasize the acting.

Windsor, who has starred in several SU productions, said he gladly accepted the invitation from the theatre club to direct the performance after taking a directing class with Professor Robert Smith.

"It's nice to be a leader, to create my vision and have younger people look to me for guidance," Windsor said. "I'm extremely happy with the cast...it's a fun, eclectic group of people."

Windsor said he is looking forward to

The one-acts will open April 4. For more information, visit <http://www.salisbury.edu/theatreanddance>.

releasing the show with assistance from stage manager senior Lindsay Haas and a talented group of eight actors and actresses. The cast features John Posner, Katherine Worley, Chase Douglas, Faith Sullivan, Sam Brooks, Madison Lathbury, Chris Hager and Jennie Phelps.

Having just finished directing a short play, DeLisle said he is excited with his current production, working with junior Victoria Finley as stage manager. Will McKelburg, Rob Ackerman, Maggie Snyder and Lauran Barrett survived DeLisle's auditions, which he describes as outlandish. For example, he made hopeful actors say the same line multiple times in different silly voices.

"I made people do weird stuff,"

DeLisle said. "Many physical and vocal exercises to get them out of their comfort zone and make sure they don't take themselves too seriously."

DeLisle said he has found directing rewarding and enjoyable.

"It's cool to call the shots but hard to not be in the game. You get very attached to what you're working with," he said.



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Netflix Picks: The Twilight Zone

BY ASHA AZARIAH-KRIBBS
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If it's not in color, don't watch it.

General opinion has it that any film or television series over 40 years old is probably a bit of a bummer. It is true that "The Andy Griffith Show" lacks the wrenching angst or hip cynicism of modern family television, and "Gilligan's Island" is a far cry from "Lost." But for those who can see past old-world idiosyncrasies to the imaginative talent that make them worthwhile, "The Twilight Zone" is required watching for any devotee of science fiction or horror.

Hosted and conceptualized by Rod Serling, "The Twilight Zone" is a late '50s early '60s television show made up of twenty-minute standalone episodes. Each episode usually centers on an ordi-

nary person or persons who find their simple lives turned upside down by a close encounter with the surreal or supernatural.

One of the best examples of this topsy-turvy aspect of "Twilight Zone" is found in the episode "Nightmare at 20,000 Feet." Starring William Shatner in the lead role, it relates what could be either a complete loss of sanity or newfound self-possession for an average, middle-aged man recovering from a nervous breakdown, now face to face with an evil-purposed gremlin during a dreaded flight home.

"Living Doll" is a glimpse into the trauma of domestic violence. If there is nothing extraordinary in its theme, "Doll" is surely one of "Twilight Zone's" most terrifying episodes. Long before "Chucky" was brandishing carving knives, Talky Tina plotted havoc with a creeping subtlety

that might terrify the long list of possessed playthings before or after her.

Of course, "Twilight Zone" isn't all perfection. Like any television series, it has its lapses into failure and mediocrity. "Kick the Can," a nostalgic reflection on youth and lost childhood, has the extreme reverse of its intended 'Neverland' effect. By the time the episode ends it feels as if an age has passed and there is energy left only for a long and very welcome nap.

"Twilight Zone" is a study in plot twists, trap doors, and the fine print in a contract for your soul. Steered by Serling's dry, ironic wit, it's just that tight corner you're more than happy to squeeze out of alive.

It's sink or swim with a coin toss' chance of survival in a real-world Wonderland out to make or break its new arrivals.

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Men's basketball loses to Wesley in CAC semifinals

BY AMY MCFARLAND
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Salisbury University Men's Basketball fell in the Capital Athletic Conference Semifinals Thursday at Wesley College with a final score of 73-66. Salisbury (19-8) tried to come back from a 14-point gap with less than 8 minutes left in the game, but was unsuccessful.

The game started out promising within the first minute as the Gulls threatened with a team offensive rebound leading to a three-point jump shot by senior Elijah Gore assisted by junior guard Tim Harwood. The Wolverines fought back with a turnover and took control of the score, earning nine points for a Wesley lead of 9-3. Senior Travon Vann would not allow Wesley to enjoy its lead for long though, tightening the gap at 9-8 with two free throws and a three point jump shot.

Wesley's Brandin Youngblood responded with a jump shot, assisted by David Langan to increase their lead to 11-8 with 14:38 left in the half. Gore managed to tie it up with a three-point jump shot, following with another jump shot for a score of 13-13. The Wolverines responded with a defensive rebound leading to a jump shot, but Gore came through again with a three point jump shot assisted by freshman forward Luke Ruland for a Gulls' lead of 16-15 at 12:24.

After a missed SU shot and some

Wesley rebounds, the Gulls added on to their lead when senior Craig Ryan made a three-point jump shot assisted by freshman Kyle Savercool, changing the score to 19-15 with 10 minutes left in the half. The Wolverines battled back to tie the score at 19-19 with a jump shot and layup by Paul Reynolds. Wesley gained the lead back with a jump shot, but SU guard Chris Viqueira tied it up again with a layup for 21-21.

The Gulls were up again as Vann made two free throws for a lead of 23-21 with 7:35 left in the first half. Harwood added another layup, but Wesley responded with points and grabbed the lead back at 27-25. Despite layups by Savercool and Ruland, Wesley kept the lead for a score of 39-34 at half time.

SU lost its rhythm in the second half, falling behind at 48-38 within the first few minutes. Vann tried to come back with two free throws, but Wesley increased their lead to 52-42 at 14:59. Despite offensive efforts by Harwood and Vann, the gap increased to 61-47 with eight minutes left.

SU came back to life as Harwood and Vann gained more points with jump shots, followed by a three point jump shot by senior guard Dylan Roberson, assisted by Vann. Down 63-55, the Gulls struggled to make the last minutes count after a layup by Wesley at 3:22. After two free throws by Savercool and a jump shot and assist by Ruland and Vann, Salisbury trailed 67-59.



Photo by Kevin Cunningham
Junior guard Tim Harwood dribbles the ball past a York defender. The team's win over York allowed them to advance and play against Wesley in the semifinals later in the week.

Although Wesley lead 69-63 with just 28 seconds left, Vann threatened with an unassisted three point jump shot.

Even with Vann's efforts the Wolverines controlled the last seconds of the game, closing the score at 73-66. Vann finished with 24 points, six rebounds and three steals while Gore and Harwood totaled 13 and 12 points.

Salisbury must now wait and hope for an at-large bid to the NCAA tournament. Results will be released at a later date.

Athlete Spotlight

Tim Harwood



File photo

BY DAVID CABRERA
Staff Writer

Salisbury University's basketball team found themselves back in the Capital Athletic Conference tournament after a one year absence.

The Sea Gulls finished the 2012-13 regular season with an 18-7 (9-3) record and a third overall seed in the tournament. They made it all the way to the semifinals before losing to Wesley Thursday, Feb. 21, 73-66.

Junior guard Tim Harwood has been a key player in the Sea Gulls success this season, finishing second on the team in points per game.

He played his best game of the season against that same Wesley team to end the regular season, scoring a season high 30 points in an 83-78 double overtime victory. The Physical Education major took some time to answer some questions from The Flyer before the playoffs began.

You guys have obviously had a great season thus far. What were some of the team expectations coming into this season, some expectations you had for yourself?

"Well, we wanted to make the CAC tournament because we missed it last year. To go from seventh place to third place in the conference in Coach Joshua Merkel's second year is a huge jump. We wanted to win the CAC championship and make the NCAA tournament. As far as goals for myself, I just wanted to help the team, do whatever I had to do to help them win games."

You had had a pretty good season. You were second on the team in scoring. Could you talk about the adjustments you made from last year to better your game?

"In the offseason I did shooting workouts almost every day and lifted. Having Travon Vann, senior guard to give you the ball on offense is a plus."

Some players have their superstitions, do you

have any?

"I am not a very superstitious person. I like to stay loose, joke around before the game."

Getting away from the basketball questions, what do you do during your downtime, if you have any?

"Just watching TV and movies; napping is great too. I like to watch 'The Office' and 'Friends,' mostly the reruns they play on TV."

Who were your favorite players growing up?

"I used to watch J.J. Reddick when he was with Duke. Love Tim Duncan. Started liking him because my dad is a San Antonio Spurs fan, and he has the same name as me laughs. I like the way he plays the game."

What is your favorite vacation spot?

"My favorite spot would have to be Emerald Isle, N.C. It is a nice little beach town with a great beach that isn't too crowded."

What do you want to do with your major after you graduate?

"After college I either want to be a college basketball coach, a high school basketball coach or a physical education teacher."

When you go out there before a game, especially now with the playoffs coming up, what are you feeling before the game?

"When I walk out onto the gym and onto that court, I get some butterflies. I just can't wait for the game to start."

Baseball team shows skill in defeat of Wesleyan

BY DILLON KENNEDY
Staff Writer

The combination of strong pitching and hot bats allowed for the Salisbury University baseball team to enjoy dominating victory over Virginia Wesleyan.

Senior Andrew Levy orchestrated a masterful performance on the mound, pitching seven 2/3 scoreless innings. Levy seemed to be in cruise control the whole game as he allowed only one hit while striking out four.

Salisbury would complement their pitchers dominance with plenty of run support throughout the game. Despite having only one extra base hit, Salisbury was able to manufacture nine runs through 13 singles and nine walks.

After a scoreless first inning, Salisbury registered two runs in the second in what proved to be a tone-setter for the rest of the game. With the bases loaded and two outs, junior center fielder Bill Root slapped a single into left centerfield scoring 2.

After a quick Wesleyan three and out, junior infielder Quinn Griffith, who tallied a game high of 3 hits, led off the third with a powerful double to left center. Junior shortstop Ken O'Neill singled on the very next at bat, scoring Griffith and extending the lead to three. Salisbury would add another before the inning was over confirming that the rout was on as they took a commanding 4-0 lead into the bottom of the third.

Virginia Wesleyan was unable to mount any sort of offensive production throughout the game going three-up three-down in six of nine innings. They were only able to put three men on base the entire game displaying a .069 combined batting average.

With their opponent's faltering at the plate, Salisbury showed great poise in manufacturing great at bats culminating in an outstanding .578 on base percentage for the game. Salisbury had five players with at least two hits while Virginia Wesleyan only managed three for the game.

"Salisbury had five players with at least two hits (each) while Virginia Wesleyan only managed three for the game."

Women's basketball advances to CAC semifinals after win over Seahawks

BY DILLON KENNEDY
Staff Writer

Riding a four game win streak into the Capital Athletic Conference tournament, the Salisbury Women's basketball

"We were playing too timid throughout the game. We really took it to them in the second half and were able to walk away with the win."
-Coach Lewandowski

ing each and every defensive possession. The gulls would take a brief 6 point lead only to see it erased by an 8-0 St. Mary's run. Salisbury would take a 25-22 lead into the half thanks in part to a deep three

from Junior Kelsey Verica and a buzzer beating layup from McLaughlin. The second half saw both teams come roaring out the gates both offensively and defensively with neither team able to distance themselves from one another. With 11 minutes to play and the score tied at 36, sophomore Anna Hackett took complete control of the game.

Displaying a lethal combination of speed and ball control, Hackett continually got to the basket at will, forcing an exasperated St. Mary's defense to

foul her as their only means of stopping her. Hackett shot perfectly from the line, hitting all 10 of her attempts on her way to a game high 20 points along with 7 assists.

Led by Hackett and McLaughlin, Salisbury would go on a 6-0 run to go up by 9, a lead they would never relinquish. "We were playing too timid throughout the game," said Coach Lewandowski. "We really took it to them in the second half and were able to walk away with the win."

With the win the Sea Gulls advance to the semifinal round of the Capital Athletic Conference tournament where they will face off with top-seeded Marymount University.



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Sophomore point guard Maggie King looks for an open lane as she passes the ball.

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